



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Do we need to bring blues/service dress?

-No, blues or service dress are not required for SOS.

What does the average day look like at SOS?

-Students can expect to be in class from 0800-1630, with some variation depending on the events of the day. You are afforded an hour for lunch.

I'm overseas and I'm arriving Saturday night, will my room be available?

-Yes, please call the University Inn prior to your arrival so they can adjust your reservation. Contact your Flight Commander if there are any issues.

Will we have holidays off?

-Yes, SOS observes all Federal holidays.

Are there facilities for laundry in lodging and how much do they cost?

-Yes, there is a laundry room in each of the buildings in lodging. The machines are free, but you need to bring/purchase your own detergent and dryer sheets.

How much of the course is dedicated to USSF curriculum for USSF personnel?

-All USSF Guardians are organized in their own flight, following a USSF curriculum, separate from the USAF curriculum received by the Airmen. All students will participate in the same experientials and team leadership exercises.

Are we allowed to travel on the weekends? How far can we travel?

-Yes, you are allowed to travel on the weekends. You will need to get all travel plans approved through your Flight Commander/Squadron Commander. Each squadron will go over their travel policy and weekend locator requirements.

I'm flying in and my unit won't issue me a rental car. Will I be able to walk to get where I need to go?

-University Inn is across the street from the SOS building, the Maxwell Fitness Center is also nearby, and the DFAC is about a third of a mile walk. The BX and commissary are about a 1-mile walk.

I'm working DTS, but I have not received my LOA, can you help me?

-SOS does not handle the LOAs, that is an AETC TDY-to-School function. They can be contacted DSN 487-2971/COMM 210-652-2971 or tdy.school@us.af.mil. They should cross-org you the LOA a few days after you have signed and returned your RIP.

Do we book lodging through DTS?

-SOS reserves the lodging for students so you do not need to book it through DTS. Any Non-Availability letter or notification of no lodging available received through DTS should be ignored.

How do we get from the airport to Maxwell?

-SOS does not offer transportation services. There are several Taxi companies that can get on base. Some Uber/Lyft can also get on base, but you would have to make sure the driver has access. **Uber/Lyft driver that do not have base access will be required to drop you off at the front gate.**